

RAILWAY GOSSIP

Pennsylvania Officers and Directors Visit our City.

They Inspect Terminal Facilities and Visit Points of Interest in this Section—Perfecting Plans for Consolidation—The Norfolk & Carolina?

At noon yesterday a large party of Pennsylvania railroad officials reached Norfolk via the New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk railroad. This included Messrs. Alexander J. Cassatt, president; John P. Green, first vice-president; S. M. Prevost, third vice-president; S. Rea, fourth vice-president; N. P. Shortridge, W. H. Barnes, George Wood, E. B. Morris, T. DeWitt Cuyler, directors; J. B. Hutchinson, general manager, and Messrs. T. N. Ely, William M. Patton, Louis Nelson, George V. Massey, James R. Wood, W. H. Joyce, L. C. Weir, Robert K. Cassatt, O. J. De Rouse.

Of Norfolk railroad men there were in the party Messrs. E. St. John, vice-president and general manager of the Seaboard Air Line; M. K. King, of the Norfolk and Southern, and Norfolk, Virginia Beach and Southern railways, and Warren G. Elliott, of the Atlantic Coast Line.

The party was met at the New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk wharf by Mr. R. B. Cook, general agent of the New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk.

The party left Philadelphia Monday morning, and on the way down inspected the Baltimore, Chesapeake and Atlantic railroad, recently acquired by the Pennsylvania system. The Baltimore, Chesapeake and Atlantic terminates at Ocean City, Maryland, and traverses a fertile trucking section that send large freights over this important branch.

Monday night was spent by the party at the Chamberlin Hotel, Ocean City, Maryland, and yesterday morning in a trip around Norfolk harbor. Yesterday afternoon the party inspected various points of interest to them in this section, and went over the Belt Line.

The visitors expressed themselves as much gratified with the great progress everywhere visible, and united in predicting a great future for this favored port, with its splendid harbor, deep water and great and increasing terminal facilities.

The visitors left for Richmond last night, and will return to Philadelphia to-morrow. This is the annual inspection trip of the officials over the properties of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, and they expressed themselves as fully satisfied with the condition of the various parts of the system, buildings and with the prospects for a large and steadily increasing business.

PERFECTING HIS PLANS.

President J. Skelton Williams, of the Seaboard Air Line, is in New York, perfecting his plans for the final consolidation of all the roads included in the enlarged system.

These plans will require the expenditure of a considerable amount of money. They embrace the construction of various connecting lines, and it is understood also the purchase of 24 sleeping cars, 2,000 box cars, 35 freight and 15 passenger engines. These are indications of a large and increasing business. The policy of the Seaboard Air Line, in building up the best interests of the country it traverses, has largely increased the output of the mines, forests, farms and factories along its route, giving the line a steadily increasing volume of freight and passenger traffic.

NORFOLK AND CAROLINA RAILROAD.

The stockholders of the Norfolk and Carolina railroad will hold their annual meeting at the office of the Atlantic Coast Line, Richmond, next Monday, at noon.

INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

MANY COLORED CHILDREN BENEFITED BY SLATER FUND.

Mrs. Joseph Hobson, of Washington, and Mrs. W. H. Osborne, of New York, arrived in the city yesterday, and in company with about a dozen prominent citizens, including Rev. A. S. Lloyd, D. D., and Superintendent R. A. Dobie, of the public schools, inspected the exhibits of the industrial school, which is taught in connection with Norfolk's colored public schools, but which is entirely apart from the management of the latter, being taught during the afternoon, under the auspices of the Slater fund.

Mrs. Hobson and Mrs. Osborne come here twice each year to inspect the work of the industrial school, which is for females only, and is conducted by Miss Sarah P. Braxton, assisted by Miss Taylor, both of New York. Eleven of the teachers in the colored public schools aid in the work, as does also a teacher from the Hampton Normal and Industrial school. In this immediate vicinity there are about 800 colored children being taught sewing, cooking, etc.

Mrs. Hobson and Mrs. Osborne go to Newport News and Hampton to-day to establish a similar work in those cities.

High Grade Meat.

Taylor & Co.'s new market and provision stand in Monticello Hotel corner. This company handles a fine grade of beef for which they have exclusive agency for this city, also the best and cleanest grade of home made lard. Canned goods, fruits and fine vegetables in season. Their specialty, however, is fine high grade cuts of the best beef and mutton money can buy. They trim all steaks nicely, cutting out the bone and undesirable parts. This store is by long odds the handsomest, neatest and cleanest in the city in its line. Give them a call and see what fine goods Taylor & Co. carry, and the chances are you will become a regular customer of theirs. Delivery in all parts of the city.

An Evening Reception.

A reception was given last night by Miss Minnie Bruckmyer at the home of her brother on Church street, at which there was a large gathering of friends and acquaintances. Cake and wine in abundance were served, and numerous games and other amusements were indulged in, after which they repaired to their homes with pleasing recollections of the enjoyable evening spent with Miss Bruckmyer.

THE METEORIC DISPLAY.

IT WILL PROBABLY MATERIALIZE TO-NIGHT.

Yesterday morning two very bright meteors of the Leonid swarm were noted between 4:30 and 5:30 o'clock, distinguishable as to class by their greenish trail. Last night interest was at considerable heat, but up to nearly midnight the clouds formed an impenetrable curtain between watchers in this vicinity and the higher reaches of atmosphere. At the witching hour, however, several breaks in the cloud curtain gave all too brief views of the skies. During these brief periods of semi-clear sky several fine trails were noted and indications pointed to a still finer showing nearer sunrise, provided the clouds kept their promise and cleared away till sunrise. The greater shower is, however, not expected until to-night and to-morrow morning, and even a six to eight hours variation from astronomers generalized computations may give the finest view to Asia or Europe instead of to us. Observers to the north of us reported yesterday a varying number of noted flights for yesterday morning and enough have been seen by them to justify the belief in the prediction as to to-night.

Those seen last night were in range from northeast to east and north, only that section of sky being partly cleared, and the thin veiling of haze preventing all save very bright ones being noted if present. It is to be hoped to-night will be clear.

The Consumers' Brewing Company

The stockholders of the Consumers' Brewing Company held a meeting yesterday and elected directors and officers for the ensuing year, as follows:

Directors—William Annear, John Mahoney, C. W. Bergner, G. A. Muller, Edward S. Mahoney, Gustavus A. Walther, John F. O'Connell.

A meeting of the directors followed their election. The following officers were chosen:

President—Edward S. Mahoney.
Vice-President and Treasurer—Gustavus A. Walther.
Secretary—John F. O'Connell.

Handsome North-Side Sheriff.

William F. Bell, the Assistant Postmaster at Exmore, Northhampton County, who was arrested Saturday upon the charge of defrauding the Government to the tune of \$1,368.93, is now in the custody of the authorities at Eastville. A letter received here says the bondsmen of Mr. Bell, Messrs. Hyslop, B. Trumer and Leonard Meares have been given until Saturday of this week to make good his shortage. Mr. James Bell, father of the young man under arrest, has been succeeded as postmaster of Exmore by Mr. J. A. Smith.

German at Old Point.

A large number of society people visited Old Point last night and attended the German. They returned on the boat about 1 o'clock this morning and reported having had a delightful time.

A MEMPHIS UNDERTAKER.

CAUGHT TRAFFICKING IN HUMAN BODIES.

(By Telegraph to Virginian-Pilot.)
St. Louis, Nov. 14.—Four zinc-lined trunks, such as are used by traveling men to carry samples, each containing a corpse, were taken from the baggage room at Union Station to-day, and E. D. Thompson, a brother of Frank Thompson, who says he is city undertaker of Memphis, Tenn., is under arrest. Charges against Thompson are being formulated.

For sometime the police have been aware that a traffic in human bodies has been going on through this city, and have been on the watch for evidence. Recently a shipment of four bodies in trunks was made, addressed to W. H. Hansen, at Keokuk, Iowa, to whom those captured to-day were consigned.

When taken to police headquarters, Thompson made a clean breast of the whole affair. He said he had the contract for burying the city dead of Memphis. For some time he had been selling the bodies to medical colleges throughout this part of the country. His method was to pack them with excelsior in drummer's zinc-lined trunks, and take them with him as baggage as far as St. Louis. From here he shipped the trunks to their destination by express. Thompson said he had been paid all the way from \$50 to \$200 per body. He said the name W. H. Hansen, to which the trunks were addressed, in Keokuk, is a fictitious one, but refused to state who his consignee is.

In the trunks are the bodies of three negroes, two men and a boy, and a white woman. From appearances they all died of consumption or some other wasting disease. The white woman's features are regular and her hair black. Her front teeth are gold-filled. All the bodies are well preserved.

The Color Line in Havana.

(By Telegraph to Virginian-Pilot.)
Havana, Nov. 14.—Three Americans, Hanson, King and Holland, have each been sentenced to two months' imprisonment and to pay a fine of \$65 and two-thirds of the costs of the proceedings, for placing over their saloon a sign reading: "We cater to white people only."

Their place had been closed January last by order of the civil governor, because they had refused to serve a colored Cuban general, but they had been allowed to open the saloon again on promising to serve the public without distinction of color. The defendants have appealed the case, the costs of which already amount to \$2,000.

A letter has been published in a paper of this city, written by another colored Cuban general, complaining that the owner of a barbershop had refused to cut his hair on account of his color.

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